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***** EDITORIAL *****

by John Kellas

The new "H & T" LOGO looks pretty snazzy!!! What do you think about it? -- With this Month's newssheet is a ballot with which you can vote for R.P.A. Officers and Constitutional amendment. Please take the time and vote!! I would like to make one observation and that is this- there's not one women on the ballot, but there are R.P.A. members who could remedy this! ---- Good news! The "H & T" will be published during the Summer break. Again, I would like to print articles submitted by the membership. It doesn't take much time to type out a short stamp article and mail/or/ hand it to me at the June Meetings!!!

Dr. Leslie J. Roll died May 11th. The R.P.A. will deeply miss his active support of the club's programs and projects. His friendships with many members will be long remembered.

***** JUNE MEETINGS *****

June 9th - The "Annual Business Meeting"; Come and SPEAK YOUR PEACE and VOTE*VOTE*VOTE!!!
Please note - Only the members present at the Business Meeting will be able to vote on the CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT part.

June 23rd - "Strawberries" (last meeting before the Summer Break)

***** STAMP JOURNAL DIRECTORY ***

A new worldwide stamp journal directory has been introduced by Frank Hlavacek, Box 176331, San Antonio, Tex. 78217. The new directory lists the names, addresses, circulation, pages/edition, and ordering instructions for over 200 stamp journals from around the world. The cost is \$2 postpaid from the address above. For members look for a journal that specializes in your field, this directory might be what you've been looking for. (Linn's-6/6/77)

***** AREA SHOW DATES *****

"The Collector's Show and Sale", Done Arena, Monroe County Fair Grounds, set for June 18-19, 1977. Here's your chance to meet National Dealers to buy or sell. Admission \$1.50.

"STAMPEX '77", Stamp exhibition and bourse. June 10-12. Sheraton center, 123 Queen St., Toronto, Ont. Admission \$1.

"CINCOPEX '77", Stamp exhibition and bourse. August 6-7. National Guard Armory, Black River Blvd., Rome, N.Y. Free Admission.

*** (Aug. 6- First Day events for the "Herkimer at Oriskany" issue in Herkimer, N.Y.)

"BRANTPEX '77", Stamp exhibition and bourse. June 24-26. Holiday Inn, Park Road- North at I-403, Brantford, Ont. Admission -Free.

***** "TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE" *****

The following is a proposed amendment to the By-Laws relative to a "ROPEX Planning Committee" which will be acted upon at the June Business Meeting on the 9th.

"Be it resolved that By-Law III section 1 (duties of the president) be extended to include the following: 'The President shall each year appoint one member to the "ROPEX Planning Committee". Each member so appointed will serve a three year term. The President shall also appoint additional members as necessary to bring the total size of the committee to three. Members so appointed will serve 1 or 2 year terms such that only one member's term shall expire each year. This permanent Committee shall have the authority to transact such business as may require year or more advance planning pursuant to the "ROPEX" show. A budgetary allowance of \$50 will be allocated by the Treasurer annually for Committee use'".

PLEASE VOTE YOUR CHOICE ON THE ENCLOSED BALLOT

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***** "SECOND EDITION- THE COLOR CATALOGUE OF AUSTRALIAN STAMPS" *****

The Color Catalogue of Australian Stamps is now available to collectors. Over 1000 price changes, over 200 new listings including Australian Antarctic Territory and Cocos (Keeling) Islands. The price U.S. \$3.50. For more information write to this address: David Mortimer, P.O. Box 7, Southsea, PO4 ORA, England or see John Kellas at the Business Meeting.

"A R.P.A. PROGRAM SURVEY FOR 1977-78"

Please rank the choices listed below:

Most interested --- Interested --- Least interested
(1) (2) (3)

- 1) ___ "Why Collect Stamps!" / "What To Collect!"
- 2) ___ "Tools For Collecting"
- 3) ___ " Stamp Sources"
- 4) ___ " How to grade Stamps!" (Describing)
- 5) ___ "Forgeries, Cinderellas, Phantasies, & Labels"
- 6) ___ "Postal Stationary"
- 7) ___ " Precancels"
- 8) ___ " Ultraviolet tagging"
- 9) ___ " R.P.A. Auctions"
- 10) ___ " Postmarks & Meter Collecting"
- 11) ___ " Slide Programs"
- 12) ___ "How are Stamp Designs picked & How to Submit a Design"
- 13) ___ "Xmas/New Year party"
- 14) ___ " F.D.C.s & P.N.C.s"
- 15) ___ Guest Speakers
- 16) ___ Open House Program (to boost membership?)
- 17) ___ Planned R.P.A. TRIPS to Area SHOWS
- 18) ___ Informal Summer-Time Meetings
- 19) ___ Spring '78 ROPEX Show
- 20) ___ Summer issues of the "H&T"
- 21) OTHERS: _____

"OFFICAL BALLOT FOR R.P.A. OFFICES * 1977-78"

Please mark one choise for each office listed below:

(mail ballot to R.P.A. or Hand it in at the Business Meeting)

1) President -

____ Richard S. Hall

____ (Other) _____

2) Vice-President -

____ Lawrence R. Moriarty

____ (Other) _____

3) Recording Sec. -

____ John H. Kalbfus

____ (Other) _____

4) Corresponding Sec. *

____ John P. Kellas

____ (Other) _____

5) Treasurer -

____ William D. Erwin

____ (Other) _____

6) Board Of Governors -

3 yrs. term: ____ Nathan C. Hamblin

(pick 2)

____ Jack Darcy

____ (Other) _____

2-yrs. term: ____ George B. Joel

____ (Other) _____

7) CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE: ____ FOR ____ AGAINST